



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Responsive to the non-final Office Action mailed June 26, 2003, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. A response was initially due September 26, 2003. Applicants herein submit a petition for a two month extension of time to November 26, 2003, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, with the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed.

Amendments to the specification are on page 2 of this paper.

Amendment to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 6 of this paper.

Amendments to the drawings are on page 12 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.

The following documents are also enclosed herewith:

- Transmittal letter and Petition for extension of time and check;
- Corrected drawing, and, annotated sheet showing changes;
- Terminal Disclaimer;
- copy of pending claims for USSN 10/430,356 (atty ref. 09010-029010);
- Postcard.

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